



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 13, 2000

H.R. 1248 **Violence Against Women Act of 2000**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on June 27, 2000

SUMMARY

H.R. 1248 would authorize the appropriation of about \$3.6 billion for fiscal years 2001 through 2005 for programs to combat violence against women. Most of these programs would fund grants to state and local governments and Indian tribes.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1248 would cost about \$2.8 billion over the 2001-2005 period. This legislation would not affect direct spending or receipts, so pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and could benefit state, local, or tribal governments. Any costs incurred by state, local, or tribal governments would be the result of complying with grant conditions and would be voluntary.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

For this estimate, CBO assumes that the amounts authorized in H.R. 1248 will be appropriated by the start of each fiscal year, and that spending would follow the historical rates for these or similar programs. The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 1248 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget functions 550 (health) and 750 (administration of justice).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Spending Under Current Law for Violence Against Women Programs						
Authorization Level ^{a, b}	436	6	6	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	431	348	178	5	2	0
Proposed Changes						
Authorization Level	0	631	706	746	877	609
Estimated Outlays	0	155	425	665	765	778
Spending Under H.R. 1248 for Violence Against Women Programs						
Authorization Level ^a	436	637	712	746	877	609
Estimated Outlays	431	503	603	670	767	778
a. The 2000 level is the amount appropriated for that year for the programs authorized by H.R. 1248. b. The 2001 and 2002 levels are the amounts authorized in current law for these programs.						

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and could benefit state, local, or tribal governments. The bill would authorize the appropriation of about \$3.6 billion in grants over the 2001-2005 period to these governments and certain nonprofit entities. Any costs incurred by state, local, or tribal governments would be the result of complying with grant conditions and would be voluntary.

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